HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 445

By Sargent

A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate the City of Franklin on the occasion of its thirtieth-annual Franklin Main Street Festival.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is proud to recognize those exemplary events that bring great honor and acclaim to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the annual Franklin Main Street Festival that takes place in Historic

Downtown Franklin is one such estimable event, and this year's event marks the thirtieth year of festivities; and

WHEREAS, this year's Franklin Main Street Festival, to be held April 27-28, is expected to draw in more than 100,000 visitors to Williamson County, visitors who will enjoy a full slate of family-oriented activities, non-stop musical entertainment, and the international flavors of a diverse array of food vendors; and

WHEREAS, with venues and attractions that interest and engage all ages, displays of arts and wares of more than two hundred artisans and crafters, and three stages that will showcase the talents of a host of performers, the festival will be spread throughout the quaint, picturesque, and historically rich downtown streets and sidewalks of Franklin; and

WHEREAS, carnival attractions are essential elements of the Franklin Main Street
Festival, and the visual and experiential thrills of the atmosphere are absolutely thrilling to the
young and young at heart; and

WHEREAS, presented by First Tennessee and produced by the Heritage Foundation of Franklin and Williamson County and the Downtown Franklin Association, this year's annual event, which rests on a twenty-nine-year record of success, promises to equal and surpass the festivals of the past; and

WHEREAS, street festivals and community celebrations are a pleasing and wonderful component of the culture of our State, cities, towns, and rural locales, and it is appropriate and timely that this legislative body pay tribute to the 2013 Franklin Main Street Festival; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby wish the good people of Franklin and Williamson County and all attendees a very exciting and highly successful 2013 Franklin Main Street Festival.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we recognize and thank the sponsors and organizers of the 2013 Franklin Street Festival for their civic support and goodwill toward this outstanding community event, the City of Franklin, and Williamson County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.